

In the Specification:

Amend paragraph 0017 spanning pages 6-7 and the Abstract of the Disclosure on page 15 as follows:

[0017] FIG. 1 illustrates the individual elements of a device 1, in an exploded view. The device 1 for electric connection of a connecting line 2 to an electrode 44, has a contact member 3 for plug connection to a contact pin 43 of the electrode 44. The structure of the contact member 3 is substantially similar that disclosed in DE 37 19 474 A1 or co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/444,941 10/444,949 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,780,065), the subject matter of which is thereby incorporated by reference. In particular, the contact member has two energy storing elements 4 in the form of spring legs extending parallel to each other when not extended. The spring legs form a one-piece contact bead 5 in their central area. With the bead end spaced a certain distance from the energy storing element 4, the contact beads 5 form a contact zone which, in a side view, is curved or wedge-shaped, and in a top view is straight, wedge-shaped, or curved. The contact zone extends into an opening for the contact pin 43 of the electrode 44 with which contact is to be established. The energy storing elements 4 are fastened on the more or less flat contact member 3 near their ends on the longitudinal sides.